

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: HOWLAND, Charles

Group Art Unit: 1774

Serial No. 10/021,851

Examiner: DIXON, Merrick L.

Filed: 12/13/2001

Dkt No: WM12-US

For: WEARABLE PROTECTIVE SYSTEM HAVING PROTECTIVE ELEMENTS

To: Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
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RESUBMISSION OF RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION
Filed October 8, 2003

Pursuant to a telephone conversation on November 13, 2003 between Examiner Merrick Dixon, USPTO, and Vernon Maine, of Maine & Asmus, Applicant respectfully resubmits Response to Office Action, originally timely filed on October 8, 2003 via facsimile. According to Examiner Dixon the original Response to Office Action has not been entered into the USPTO's electronic system and has not been matched to the case file. Therefore, he suggested this resubmission.

Applicant respectfully herein submits:

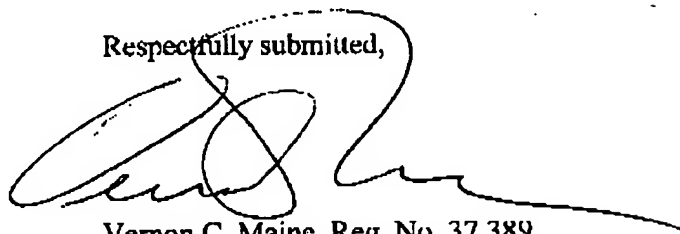
- 1) 8 pages Response to Final Office Action, submitted October 8, 2003; and
- 2) 1 page Fax Activity Report, for Maine & Asmus, dated October 8, 2003, showing 8 page fax sent to fax number 703-305-5408 completed;

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Respectfully submitted,



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OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE
AMENDMENT

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office's Non-Final Office Action dated 7/8/03, the Applicant has timely enclosed herein: 7 pages of Office Action Response, and 1 page Fee Transmittal Form PTO/SB/17 in the amount of \$43.00 to cover fee for one extra independent claim. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

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